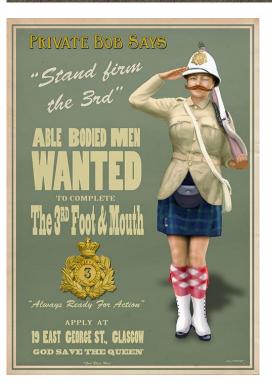
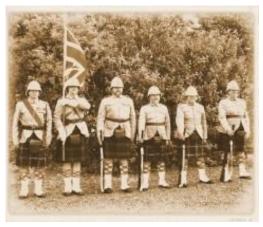
## JOINING THE 3RD FOOT & MOUTH







Thank you for your interest in joining the 3<sup>rd</sup> Foot and Mouth. We are a friendly group of people with a very simple code – be nice to one another.

New members are welcome to join from anywhere. For the moment most of our events take place in England and Wales but we hope to get further afield as opportunities present themselves.

Members are expected to equip themselves. We can offer advice on where to source the uniform and equipment from. (Indeed all of the information is available on the members web pages.) A minimum uniform should cost around £220. A rifle is a further £150. Civilian roles are often cheaper.

We are a voluntary group. People do not generally get paid for attending events etc. Members have to meet their own expenses. Where possible we also raise money for forces charities (Help for Heroes, Royal British Legion, SSAFA).

We are a new organisation but have grown rapidly. We aim to have roughly one event per month. We do not expect people to attend every event but obviously the more you can make the merrier.

We try to strike a balance between the comedic and fun side of the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the historically accurate. We try to be entertaining and take our performances seriously but also have a lot of fun in the process.

Main Website: <u>http://3rdfootandmouth.yolasite.com</u> Members Web Pages: <u>http://3rdfandm.imp-net.co.uk</u>



We should make it clear from the outset that we do not accept the sort of political manipulations that often befoul the re-enactment scene. The 3<sup>rd</sup> is about having a good time so only apply to join if you are happy to join in with the spirit of the unit.

We are delighted to welcome women and children to the group although we only have men within the bekilted ranks of the 3<sup>rd</sup> itself. Civilians generally dress in the fashions of the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. Most of our women portray suffragettes for some events and we are working on being able to portray a military nursing detachment too.

Most events involve an overnight stay. Sometimes this is in a hotel or rented accommodation. Often we camp. Many of us have period correct tents and we can set up an appropriate encampment. Wherever possible we try to facilitate modern tents etc too or "plastic camping" as it is known.

If you would like to join us then please write a little bit about yourself (and your partner/children too if they are likely to come along). Tell us what your interests are, any previous relevant experiences or skills etc and what you are looking for from the Foot and Mouth. Think of it as how you might introduce yourself to the group. Scot, our web admin will be able to enrol you in the members pages where you can find lots of useful information and learn much more about the group. We will do our best to support you in becoming a fully fledged member of the Devils in Skirts.

Adjutant Email – <u>majortinker@aol.com</u> Please put "Joining the 3<sup>rd</sup>" in the subject line.